

Putting it all Together Character Education Conference Montana State University Billings, Montana October 18-19, 2007

A conference providing training on how to implement the Honor, Respect and Responsibility Character Education Reform Model

Featuring keynote speaker Dr. Martin Brokenleg, Reclaiming Youth At Risk author



Dr. Brokenleg is professor of Native American Studies at Augustana College and Dean of the Black Hills Seminars on youth-at-risk. He holds a doctorate in psychology and is a graduate of the Episcopal Divinity School. Dr. Brokenleg has consulted and led training programs throughout North America, in Hawaii, New Zealand, and South Africa. He is an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe practicing the culture of his Lakota people. He has taught at Augustana since 1974 and is a recipient of the Orin Lofthus Distinguished Professor award.

The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI)'s **Honor, Respect and Responsibility** (HR2) Project proposes to improve American Indian student academic achievement in Montana through the effective use of a character education school reform model developed by partner schools.

The Montana HR2 project is unique in that it focuses on the cultural values and traditions of Montana tribes. The curriculum reflects this unique aspect and therefore promotes success through increasing a sense of belonging and purpose for students.

The Montana Character Education curriculum meets the requirements of MCA 20-1-501, the Indian Education for All law. The framework can be used by any school district, although it is particularly effective in schools with significant American Indian student populations and/or multi-cultural backgrounds.

